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Tecklenburg Flooding Proposal Wins Unanimous Support of Senate Panel

Charleston, S.C.—Yesterday, Charleston Mayor John J. Tecklenburg traveled to Columbia to testify before the Senate Finance Committee Sales & Income Tax Subcommittee in favor of a bill (S. 917) that would allow municipalities to put revenue from local hospitality tax and local and state accommodations tax toward flooding and drainage projects. The subcommittee voted unanimously to support the bill, which will now go to the full Senate Finance Committee for further action. The bill is being sponsored by Senator Marlon Kimpson of Charleston.

Mayor Tecklenburg said, "I'd like to thank Senator Kimpson and the subcommittee members for their support on this critical initiative. Finding solutions for flooding and drainage -- and ways to pay for those solutions -- is our city's top long-range priority. This approval puts us one step closer to making sure the six million tourists who visit Charleston will be able to help pay for the projects needed to protect our city into the future."

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